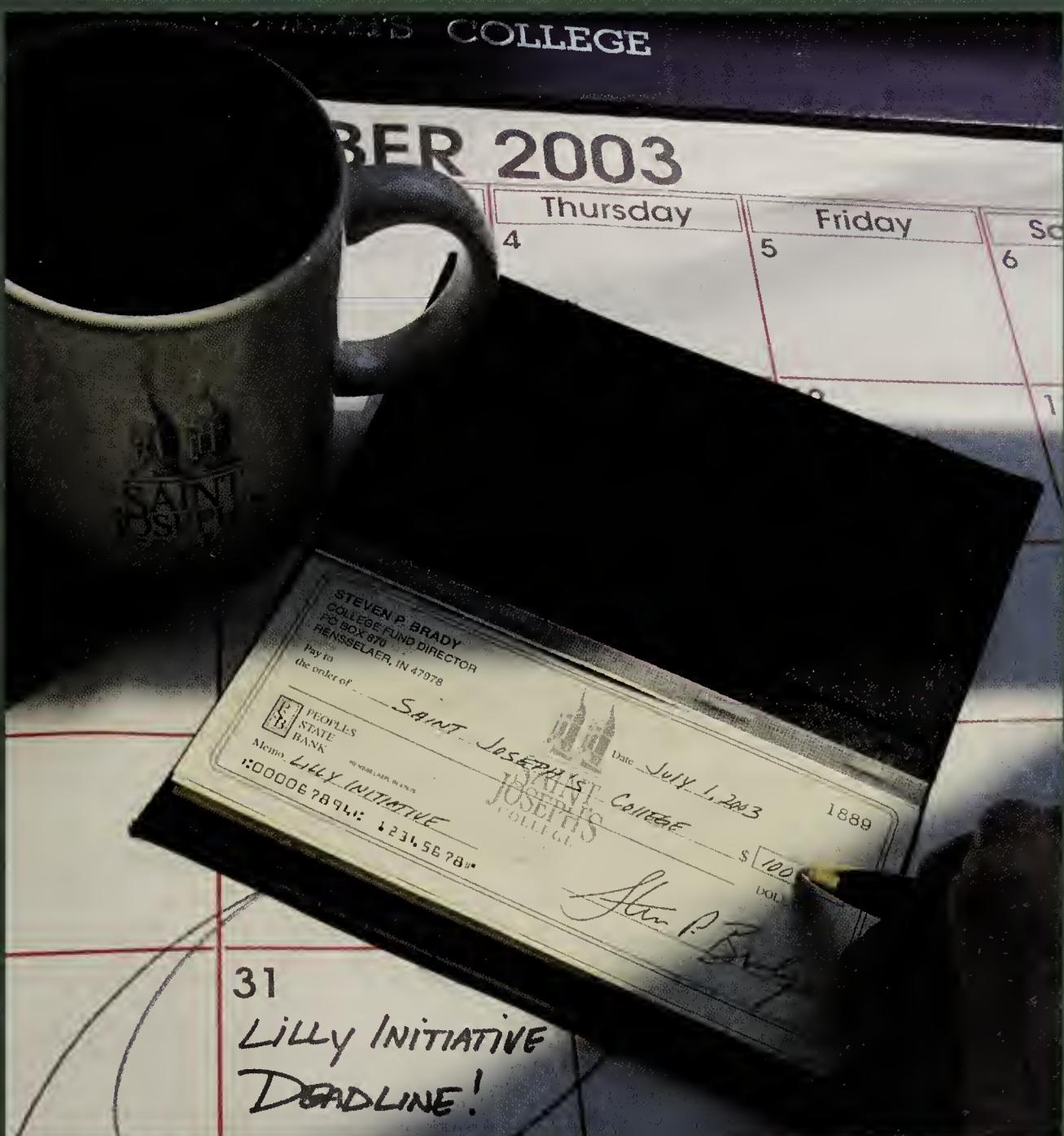


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— excerpted from the mission statement of Saint Joseph's College

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**On the Cover:** As the December 31, 2003 deadline for the Lilly Initiative draws near, it's more important than ever for you to show your support for SJC. Let President Mills tell you why.

*See story on pages 14, 15, and 16.*

*From the Alumni Association Board President*

## IT'S A TWO-FOR-ONE SALE!

We've all seen that sales pitch before, as well as slogans like "Get two for the price of one" or "Buy one, get one free!" Quite often, the "sale" happens at the end of the season, when the goods are already picked over. It's always the case on the day after Christmas.

Well, Saint Joseph's College is having its own "two-for-one" sale, but this one's not about leftovers. In fact, the first day of the "sale" is as good as the last; SJC won't run out, and you won't have to wait in line. Through the generosity of Lilly Endowment, Inc., alumni, parents, employees, and friends of SJC are challenged to show their support by contributing to the College during 2003. And, for every contribution, Lilly will match the amount dollar-for-dollar, up to a total of \$3.5 million. Imagine being able to help Saint Joseph's twice; first with your own tax-deductible gift, and again with Lilly Endowment's matching contribution.

I recently attended the Annual Scholarship Dinner and Auction, which is sponsored by the College each spring. In addition to honoring former members of the Board of Trustees, the evening was highlighted by the conferring of the Scholarship Award on a graduating senior student. This year's award was conferred on **Todd Huff '03**, a Chemistry major from Bremen, Indiana, and to hear of Todd's achievements at SJC was the stuff of dreams. He was a straight-A student with a perfect 4.0 grade point average, Valedictorian, Senior Class President, and "Senior of the Year." He's been a frequent award-winner at SJC, and he is the recipient of a graduate scholarship to continue his Chemistry studies at Purdue University. Todd is a remarkable and self-effacing young man who makes us all proud to be Saint Joseph's graduates, and he is a fine example of the young men and women who continue to receive an outstanding education at SJC. You would be proud to have him as your son or your friend. By contributing to the Lilly Initiative, you are helping students like him attend Saint Joseph's College. Students like him *are* Saint Joseph's College.

So, don't wait—you've only got until December 31st to participate in this unique two-for-one sale!



*Stephen S. Lydon* Class of 1962

Chastidy (Yeoman) Chapman '96 and son Camden (who accepted Jake Chapman '97's award in his absence), Witek-Jones '97, McCann '68, Righeimer '57, and Marty Thuerk



## SJC Welcomes Five Alumni into 2003 Sports Hall of Fame

On April 12th, the late **Owen Thuerk '41**, **James Righeimer '54**, **Dennis McCann '68**, **Jake Chapman '96**, and **Laura Witek-Jones '97** were inducted into the Saint Joseph's College Sports Hall of Fame. The evening began with a reception and dinner and ended with the presentation of awards. **Lou Offer '69** served as the Master of Ceremonies, and several SJC alumni were present to share kind words and fond stories about those being honored.

When the inductees themselves took to the podium, they also had a few things to say. Righeimer reflected on the role SJC played in shaping his future. "I was a messed-up kid with no place to go. The people at Saint Joseph's College seemed to fill in the missing pieces of the puzzle," he said. He also introduced a fellow inductee, the late **Owen Thuerk '41**, whose brother, Marty, attended the ceremony to accept the plaque on Owen's behalf. "[Owen] was instrumental to getting people into college, graduate school, the police and fire departments.... He was my mentor," Righeimer said.

The Sports Hall of Fame is sponsored by SJC's Alumni Association.

## Valedictorian for Class of 2003 Named SJC's "Senior of the Year"

On April 11th, during the President's Senior Dinner for the Class of 2003, Todd Huff was honored as "Senior of the Year." A native of Bremen, Indiana, Huff was a Chemistry major with a minor in Secondary Education and had a cumulative grade point average of 4.0 on a 4.0 scale. In addition to being a Presidential Scholar, the class Valedictorian, and a member of Alpha Lambda Delta and Delta Epsilon Sigma honor societies, he's interned with the American Institute of Toxicology in Indianapolis, an internship for which he was personally selected by CEO **Michael Evans '67**. In the fall, Huff will study Chemistry at Purdue University, where he will be a Teaching Assistant.

"Just to be nominated for this award was such a tremendous honor," Huff commented. "I am grateful that the Alumni Association has selected me from such a deserving group of classmates."

The other four seniors in the running for "Senior of the Year" were Lindsay Bridwell, Joe Guzman, Brett Heinz, and Nick Schafer.



Todd Huff with mother Regina and father Robert

## PUMAS ON PARADE

The sky was blue, the River was green, and Puma Pride was in the air as alumni and friends gathered on March 15th to march in the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade in Chicago. After the parade, Pumas enjoyed corned beef and cabbage at Monday's Restaurant, located in the heart of downtown.



*(Top) President Ernest Mills III takes a moment to pose with two "Irish Kings"*

*(Bottom) Pumas proudly display the Saint Joseph's College banner*



## Reserve Your Spot For SJC's Trip to Ireland

**J**oin fellow Pumas on a two-city holiday to Ireland from September 12th through the 20th and visit the enchanting cities of Galway and Waterford. Galway's city center is home to narrow streets, carved stone windows, and low-arched doorways that represent a past of Anglo-Norman and Gaelic influences. Waterford is located in the "Sunny Southeast," the region of Ireland that receives the most amount of sunshine.

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# Special Events

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Ty Maienbrook '87,  
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Bonnie Cothran '91,  
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"Jo" Battleday '63

BIGGER!  
BETTER!  
WETTER!  
WILDER!!



We're suiting up once again for an Extreme White Water Rafting Adventure in Hico, West Virginia. Pumas from the Class of 1954 to the Class of 2004 enjoyed an action-packed weekend on the Lower New River last fall, but they wanted more! Director of Alumni and Parent Relations Kendra Berenda has scouted the area, tested the waters, and found the perfect stretch of river to challenge even the most untamed Pumas.

With 25 rapids, the Lower Gauley River (Class III-V rapids) is home to HUGE waves and great hydraulic surfs. The Upper Gauley River (Class III-V rapids) has attracted thrill-seekers from around the world for decades and is home to 50 major rapids, including the infamous "BIG FIVE."

This year's trip will depart on Friday, September 5th, and return on Sunday, September 7th. A variety of raft sizes are available to accommodate all skill levels.

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#### PUMA PACKAGE INCLUDES:

- 1 Full Day of Rafting  
(*Your choice of Upper or Lower Gauley*)
- 1 Half Day Activity of Your Choice  
(*Upper Gauley Express Trip, rock climbing, mountain biking, horseback riding*)
- All Rafting Equipment
- All Meals from Friday Dinner to Sunday Lunch
- All Lodging Accommodations
- Transportation, Clubhouse, Outdoor Heated Pool, Sand Volleyball, Horseshoe Pit, and T-shirts for Everyone!

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#### Prices:

\$400 per person, double occupancy  
\$435 per person, single occupancy

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For those wanting an "Extreme Adventure" four-man raft, \$45 per person will be added to the price of the package.

*Spaces are filling up fast!* Reserve your spot today by contacting Kendra Berenda at 800-227-1898.

## Habitat For Humanity:

### Making a Difference One House at a Time

For 2003, SJC's chapter of Habitat For Humanity took their annual spring break trip to Covington, Louisiana. Here, Fred Berger, Associate Professor of Communication and Faculty Advisor for Habitat, records some of the experiences the group encountered.

These trips have a way of nurturing and cultivating SJC students as compassionate, caring, God-centered people. I have never known a group of Habitat volunteers who experienced a week of working and mingling with faraway affiliates to not return changed as both individuals and as a group. These students are no exception. Life-long friendships were made and reinforced. Another culture was explored. Habitat partner families were met and celebrated, and Saint Joseph's College was represented well.

*Early Monday morning, we met with the volunteer coordinator from St. Tammany West Habitat For Humanity, who explained what we would be doing during our Tuesday-Friday work week. Recent rains had hindered plans for new construction, but we had plenty of jobs to do. In the morning, we also toured the Global Wildlife Center in Folsom, Louisiana. We went across the Lake Pontchartrain Causeway (at 24 miles, it's the longest over-water bridge in the world –\$3 toll) for our first of two trips into "The Big Easy."*

*Tuesday began our work with the St. Tammany West Habitat affiliate. We broke into groups; some went to a warehouse and began to work*

*on pre-fabricating wall studs and headers for a blitz build to be held in June. Others went with some of the AmeriCorps workers to help with a gazebo at a town park. [Some] began the construction of two backyard storage buildings at some nearly-completed Habitat houses, while others volunteered their time at a St. Vincent DePaul Thrift Store sorting donated clothing and household items.*

*Wednesday and Thursday's work was much like the first day. On Wednesday, we were invited to eat lunch at the local Methodist church, where we had jambalaya and spaghetti. The aunt of Stephen Kraemer '04 lives in Covington and invited us over for dinner on Thursday for red beans and rice, cornbread, and sweet tea. We ate like kings!*

*On Friday, we all worked finishing roofing and siding the storage buildings and began painting the interior walls of the Habitat homes. Thank goodness for fast-drying latex paint, as we wore as much as we painted, it seemed.... We then left for our last trip into The Crescent City and a night on the town. Participants explored and enjoyed the Quarter until the vans left for Camp Abbey at 2:00 a.m., and a good time was had by all.*

## MEMBERS OF THE SAINT JOSEPH'S COLLEGE COMMUNITY RESPOND TO THE WAR IN IRAQ

In the height of the U.S. war with Iraq, groups of students and employees from Saint Joseph's College actively responded to it. The chain of events began in mid-February with an anti-war poetry reading sponsored by SJC's literary club, Measure. In March, many students and employees participated in organized demonstrations in Rensselaer in order to show support for the U.S. troops fighting overseas, and a "peace candle" was lit to remind students and employees to pray for men and women in the military currently involved in the war. From April 22nd-26th, a group of students created



Senior Art major Sarah Chalik, sophomore Biology-Chemistry major Marissa Klebs, and Data Analyst Leslie Hannon gather at a support rally for U.S. troops in Rensselaer

"Peaceapalooza," a weeklong event of activities intended to promote harmony in the community.

As Environmental Science major Dave Ritchie and Mathematics major Wes Graper fought in the war, the week's events had a special meaning. President Ernest Mills III was happy with the

dedication students had honoring U.S. troops and participating in the week's events. "I am pleased that so many of our educators and students [took] the opportunity to respond to the war on such a variety of levels," he said.

## SJC Nursing Students Hold Clinic In Haiti

As part of the course work for their "Transcultural Nursing" class, several Nursing students were selected to travel with faculty members in SJC's Nursing Department to Haiti, where they held a two-day nursing clinic in LeValle and treated 600 patients with such ailments as malnutrition, scabies, worms, and high blood pressure. "This [trip] continues where Cores 7 and 8 leave off," said Judi Jezierski, Associate Professor of Nursing at SJC. "It allows the students to be immersed in another culture, and they see the poor in a light that would never be possible sitting in the classroom." She added, "When we try to understand people of other cultures we can become, as nurses, more sensitive to all individuals for whom we care."

The Nursing Program at SJC is run in tandem with St. Elizabeth Hospital in Lafayette, Indiana.



Nursing student **Stacie Klingler '03** treats a mother and daughter at a two-day nursing clinic in Haiti



SJC PRESENTS

# Service-Based HONORS *for 2003*

Campus  
**News**

Five service-based honors were awarded over Commencement weekend at Saint Joseph's College. Three awards were distributed by the senior class as accolades for select faculty who have served as inspiring examples to the College community. The "Religio" Award, which honors an individual who embodies Catholic and Christian humanistic values, was presented to Assistant Professor of Religion John Bequette, who has been teaching courses in Religion and Core for the last two years. The "Moralitas" Award, presented to an individual who demonstrates high moral character in all personal and professional aspects of life, was granted to Assistant Professor of Mathematics Marge McIlwain, who teaches courses in Calculus and has served SJC in a number of positions, including Dean of Freshmen and Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs. The "Scientia" Award was presented to Professor of History Dr. William White, who was honored as an individual who gathers, creates, and disseminates knowledge in an exemplary fashion. White specializes in United States history and constitutional law, and he has been teaching courses in those areas for almost thirty years.

SJC presented a Lifetime Achievement Award to Professor of English John Groppe, who was honored for his 41 years of service to the College. Founder of SJC's writing clinic in the late sixties and retiring this year, Groppe has taught a number of courses at SJC, including Feature Writing, Grammar and Expression, and a number of classes in SJC's Core Program. Member of the Class of 2003 Sarah Hachey received the Saint Joseph the Educator Award, which is presented to an SJC faculty-or-staff-nominated student who is a model of Christian life by living in service to others. Hachey served SJC as the Student Director of Tutoring Services and a Freshman Leader. She was Co-Coordinator of the Covenant House Candlelight Vigil for Homeless Children, an active participant in both Campus Ministry and the Student Union Board, a member of Alpha Lambda Delta and Delta Epsilon Sigma honor societies, and has been a two-time Track Marshal for the Annual Little 500 Race.

Bequette with award  
presenter **Sarah  
Sikkema '03**

McIlwain gives a big  
hug to award  
presenter **Todd  
Huff '03**

Mills presents the  
Saint Joseph the  
Educator Award to  
**Sarah Hachey '03**

White with award  
presenter **Amy  
Buckbee '03**



Dr. Frederick Stucker '56 receives his honorary degree from President Mills



Avery Cardinal Dulles, S.J. addresses the Class of 2003

## SJC Celebrates 108th Commencement

At SJC's 108th Commencement ceremony on May 11th, honorary degree recipient and keynote speaker Avery Cardinal Dulles, S.J. encouraged the 175 graduates of 2003 to live a theocentric life rather than an egocentric one. "To be self-centered is to diminish ourselves and stunt our growth, but to be God-centered will enable us to rise to our full human dignity," he said.

In his address, Dulles, the first American-born theologian who has not held the office of Bishop to be created a Cardinal for the Catholic church, talked also about the importance of serving God in any chosen profession. "In the home, the market place, and the public square, you will face choices every day that depend on your priorities. If you are a lawyer, are you serving true justice or simply making money off greedy clients? If you are a doctor, are you protecting life, or are you flouting the higher law of God?"

An honorary doctoral degree was also given to **Frederick J. Stucker, M.D., FACS '56**, an internationally recognized surgeon and a 1956 graduate of Saint Joseph's College.

In addition to Dulles, several other individuals addressed the graduating class, including SJC President Dr. Ernest Mills III, Provost Dr. David Chattin, Valedictorian Todd Huff, and Senior Class Secretary Amy Buckbee. Huff reminded his classmates to take example from those who have touched their lives. "In the spirit of St. Gaspar, founder of the Missionaries of the Precious Blood, we, as alumni of Saint Joseph's College, will touch tomorrow."

President Mills and Provost David Chattin with Todd Huff (center) at the President's degree-signing party



# Commencement 2003

Calvin Metts sends bubbles to well-wishers before receiving his diploma



Debbie (right) and Sarah Morningstar, SJC's only mother/daughter graduating team for 2003, read through the College's Commencement program



Friends pose for a picture before the Commencement ceremony (Back) Brett Heinz, Graham Gould, Jennifer Haase, and Sarah Hachey (Front) Emily Glende, Sarah Grubb, and Joe Guzman



Assistant Professor of Marketing Management Walter Scherb proudly poses with his newly-graduated daughter, Lisa



Liz and President Mills, Fred '56 and Debbie Stucker, Tim Downey '60, Connie and John Nichols, Katie and Jack Whalen, Christopher Downey '87, and Very Rev. Angelo Anthony, C.P.P.S. '84 with Cardinal Dulles at a reception in his honor



Luz Arambula and her family gather together after SJC's Baccalaureate Mass



Jodi Frigo adjusts Jeremy Trennepohl's gown

## The Class of 2003 Exemplifies Puma Success

Since SJC's 108th Commencement ceremony on May 11th, the members of the Class of 2003 will no longer accept challenges as current students, but as alumni. Many of these alumni are pursuing graduate studies in such fields as medicine, law, music, and social work, while others look forward to new career opportunities.

Many of the graduates are continuing their educations in scientific fields. Shannon Finerty has been accepted into Marine Biology programs at both Texas Tech University and Texas A & M University, and Graham Gould will be studying Physical Therapy at Northern Arizona University. Jill Ryan will remain in Indiana and enter a Medical Technology program at Ball Memorial Hospital in Muncie, while Sarah O'Connor will attend Purdue University's School of Veterinary Medicine in West Lafayette. Todd Huff, Valedictorian, will also attend Purdue, where he will study Chemistry and serve as a Teaching Assistant.

Several class members are also entering law school. Mike Alkaraki will attend Loyola University Chicago, Don Shuler was accepted into Valparaiso University School of Law's Honors Program, and Sarah Ratzlaff will attend Ohio Northern University's College of Law. Other individuals pursuing graduate studies include Jeremy Clifton, who will attend Ball State University's School of Music on a full-tuition assistantship, and Sarah Rissler, who will earn a dual master's degree in Social Work and Non-Profit Administration at Case Western Reserve University, one of the top ten schools to offer such a program. Calvin Metts will attend Kendall College in Evanston, Illinois, where he will be entering the Accelerated Culinary Arts program.

Pursuing government-service opportunities are Jennifer Sherburne and Nick Schafer, who were accepted into the national community service program AmeriCorps. Lauren Roberts will also serve the government as a French Linguist for the U.S. Army. Eric Klepinger was one of only four individuals out of more than sixty applicants to secure a summer appointment to Indiana's Secretary of State's Office.

Many have also accepted professional job offers. J.C. Wilkinson accepted a Staff Accountant position with Katz, Sapper & Miller, LLP in Indianapolis, and Jeremy Trennepohl will be a Management Trainee

with Consolidated Electrical Distributors in Valparaiso. Darci Ramirez accepted a job with rehabilitative facility Advanced Physical Therapy in Hammond, and Sarah Morningstar will teach Chemistry, Physical Science, and Mathematics at North Vermillion High School in Cayuga, Indiana. Sarah Sikkema took her first professional job with SJC, accepting the position of Payroll and Benefits Coordinator.

MAJOR	Female	Male	Total
Accounting	2	2	4
Accounting-Finance	0	1	1
Biology	7	1	8
Biology-Chemistry	6	1	7
Chemistry	2	2	4
Communication/Theatre Arts	2	1	3
Computer Science	3	6	9
Criminal Justice	5	6	11
Economics	0	1	1
Elementary Education	16	7	23
Lay Ecclesial Ministry	0	1	1
English/Creative Writing	0	1	1
Environmental Science	0	1	1
Finance	0	3	3
History	0	3	3
Social Work	5	1	6
International Business	2	0	2
International Studies	0	1	1
Management	6	20	26
Marketing	5	4	9
Mass Communication	1	5	6
Mathematics	1	5	6
Mathematics/Computer Science	2	0	2
Mathematics/Physics	0	1	1
Management Marketing			
Information Systems	1	0	1
Music	2	2	4
Nursing	5	0	5
Philosophy	0	2	2
Physical Education	3	6	9
Political Science	3	3	6
Psychology	8	3	11
Sociology	1	0	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>178*</b>

\* This number represents how many degrees were awarded, not how many students were awarded with degrees.

# Learn how fellow Pumas are doing their part to support the mission of SJC.



New Main Entranceway and Flag Plaza for SJC Campus

## Classes of 1961 and 1956

Construction on the College's new entranceway and flag plaza, located at the intersection of Route 231 and Father Gross Drive, was completed in time for SJC's 108th Commencement exercises on May 11th. The Class of 1961, chaired by **Frank Caccamo '61** and **John Baumann '61**, raised the necessary funds to furnish the College with a striking new entrance. **Jack Carlson '56** and **Bob Companik '56** led the Class of 1956 in raising funds for the flag plaza, which will feature flags representing the United States, State of Indiana, SJC, and Missionaries of the Precious Blood.

## Class of 1963

In honor of their upcoming class reunion, the Class of 1963 has started the Keith and Kate Robinson Memorial Library Project. Headed by **Dick Renspie '63** and **Phil Wilhelm '63**, the class project aims to raise \$200,000 to support a number of the Library's growing needs, including books and bound periodicals, digital and multi-media equipment, an interior "upgrade," and endowment.

## Class of 1964

Board of Trustee members **Jim Madden '64** and **Tom Kuhar '64** are planning to begin raising funds

for their class gift a year early in order to take advantage of the Lilly Initiative.

## Class of 1969

Plans are in the works for a Class of 1969 Endowed Scholarship. Trustees **Larry Laudick '69**, **Tom O'Brien '69**, and Alumni Board Vice President **Lou Offer '69** decided to get a head start on raising capital for their class gift in honor of their 35th reunion, which takes place in 2004. "By starting a little early, we will have the opportunity to double the benefit of our gift to the College through the Lilly Initiative," said Offer. "Also, many of our classmates went through SJC on scholarships, and we saw an endowed scholarship as a great way to continue the tradition."

## Class of 1974

Members of the Class of 1974, led by **Bill Hogan '74** and **Jim Gambiani '74**, are currently raising the last \$25,000 of a \$100,000 goal to endow faculty development within the Core Program. This fund will bear the name of Rev. Charles Banet, C.P.P.S., who was instrumental in the establishment of the Core Program. The class plans to have the full amount raised in time for its 30th Reunion in 2004.



ON THE LILLY ENDOWMENT INITIATIVE  
AND ITS IMPLICATIONS:  
**AN INTERVIEW WITH  
PRESIDENT MILLS**

It has been nearly two years since *Contact* interviewed Dr. Ernie Mills. In light of Lilly Endowment's Initiatives, we thought now would be a great time to catch up with him.



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 I have written their contact information below.

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PARENTS' WEEKEND

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*HOMECOMING*



SAINT JOSEPH'S  
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FRIDAY NIGHT

Shaken,

Not Stirred

Your mission begins on Friday night as fellow Puma Agents infiltrate the City Office and Pub, 114 South Van Rensselaer Street. Wine and dine in '007 style and expect your martinis *shaken, not stirred*. Agents from your past may try to blow your cover, but the mission will not be compromised. Synchronize your watches for the 7:00 p.m. rendezvous. Seating is on a first come, first served basis. Must be 21 to enter.



If your mission requires something more inconspicuous, Honor Class Pumas will be gathering at Curtis Creek Country Club with President and Mrs. Mills for cocktails and dinner. Contact members of your class for a gathering. Reservations must be made in advance by contacting the Alumni Office.

## '003 Headquarters

### SATURDAY

5K Fun Run/Walk  
with President Mills

Football

College Store

Campus Tours

Art Exhibit

Beer & Brat Tent

Kids' Art Tent

Little Puma Spy Camp

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Alumni Baseball

"10 Most Endangered Landmarks"

"Casino Royale" Reunion Dinner

Cocktails, gaming tables, and live music

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## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### Friday, October 3

1:00 pm **Thunderball** Open Golf - Curtis Creek Country Club  
18 holes/\$30 pp, 9 holes/\$21 pp includes cart  
*Contact Alumni Office for tee times*

6:00 pm Honor Class Dinner - Curtis Creek Country Club  
Contact the Alumni Office to schedule a gathering  
for your class

7:00 pm Alumni Association **Shaken, Not Stirred**  
City Office and Pub - 114 S. Van Rensselaer Street  
Dinner and social gathering

7:00 pm SJC Women's Volleyball vs. Lewis University

### Saturday, October 4

7:30 am 5K Fun Run/Walk - \$5 fee for runners; prizes awarded  
Line up at the Banet Core Educ. Ctr. parking lot

8:00 am Breakfast - Halleck Student Center Cafeteria;  
\$4.25 per person

9:00 – Noon Registration - Banet Core Educ. Ctr. Foyer

9:00 am Art Exhibit Opens - Banet Core Educ. Ctr. Foyer

9:30 am "Reflections" - President Mills will address alumni,  
parents and friends on the state of Saint Joseph's  
College; Banet Core Educ. Ctr.

9:30 am Alumni Baseball Game - Gil Hodges Memorial Field

10:00 am Campus Tours Begin - Tour guides will gather at the  
'003 Headquarters

10:00 am Alpha Lambda Delta Induction Ceremony -  
Banet Core Educ. Ctr. Shen Auditorium

10:00 am "Ten Most Endangered Landmarks in Indiana"-  
Banet Core Educ. Ctr. Courtney Auditorium

11:00 am – 2:00 pm Laser Tag; near the football field

11:30 am – 12:30 pm Residence Hall Open Houses

12:30 pm – 4:30 pm Alumni Association Beer & Brat Tent Opens

12:30 pm – 4:30 pm Kids' Art Tent Opens – Next to the Beer & Brat Tent;  
Free. Sponsored by the SJC Alumni Association and  
the Art Education Dept.

11:00 am Drexel Hall Outdoor Tour - Tour guides Fr. Kostka  
and Fr. Gerlach will give the history of the building

Noon Football Game -  
Saint Joseph's College vs. Kentucky Wesleyan

Noon Little Puma Spy Camp Opens-  
Jasper County Youth Center

1:00 pm SJC Women's Volleyball vs. Wisconsin-Parkside

5:00 pm Mass- College Chapel

6:00 pm **Casino Royale** Cocktail Reception-Blackjack,  
roulette, craps, slots, and live music by the  
*Melody Aces* - Halleck Student Center Ballroom

7:00 pm **Casino Royale** Reunion Dinner  
Halleck Student Center Ballroom-music and gaming  
resumes at 8:00 pm

8:00 pm Mission Improvable - Arts and Science Building  
Auditorium Theatre; Free Admission

### Sunday, October 5

11:00-1:00 Brunch; Halleck Student Center Cafeteria;  
\$5.25 per person

## ‘003 MISSION ACCEPTANCE

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Yes! I (we) will attend the “Casino Royale” Reunion Dinner, Saturday, October 4th, 2003.  
(Includes dinner, wine and gaming. \$25/person in advance; \$30/person at the door.)

Yes! I (we) want to participate in Little Puma Spy Camp. # of children  Ages

Yes! I (we) want to participate in the 5K Fun Run/Walk. # of participants  x \$5.00 =

**HONOR CLASS EXCLUSIVE - Friday, October 3rd, 2003**

18 Holes Golf: \$30/person    Dinner: \$20/person   Amount Enclosed \$

*Note:* Meals and Golf are by reservation only -- pre-payment required. Make Checks payable to Saint Joseph's College. Availability is limited, so reservations must be made by September 27, 2003. Mail to: Saint Joseph's College, Alumni and Parent Relations Office, PO Box 870, Rensselaer, IN 47978.

*Hotel information is available on our Web site: [www.saintjose.edu/about\\_sjc/hotels.html](http://www.saintjose.edu/about_sjc/hotels.html)*

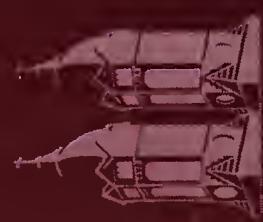


## LITTLE PUMA CAMP

It's never too early to train your little agents to follow in your footsteps. “Little Puma Spy Camp” is being offered again this year to children ages 2-12 at the Jasper County Youth Center behind Bennett Hall. Fingerprint art, clue finders, special movies, snacks and dinner are only some of the fun things they will enjoy. The Youth Center is equipped with ping-pong/pool tables, video games, televisions and licensed staff. At only \$3 per hour per child or \$30 per day per child, it's a great way to involve the entire family. Space is limited and drop-ins will be accepted if space is available.



**MISSION IMPROVable** performs improvisational comedy, (a fast-paced and exciting new form of comedy), where performers play hilarious theater games much like the ones you may have seen on the popular television show, *Whose Line Is It Anyway?* M.I. calls these games "Missions." Missions are actually short scenes between characters that are premised upon suggestions taken from the audience. In other words, M.I. asks you, the audience, a question like, "What's your favorite color?" or "What weird animal might you see at the zoo?" and you shout out the answer. Then M.I. make up a side-splitting scene about your response. It's that simple! Members of MISSION IMPROVable are classically trained improvisers, having studied at the Second City Conservatory, (home of Mike Myers, Martin Short, John Candy and countless other talents). The M.I. guys can be seen performing weekly in Chicago at Improv Olympic.



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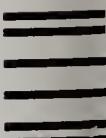
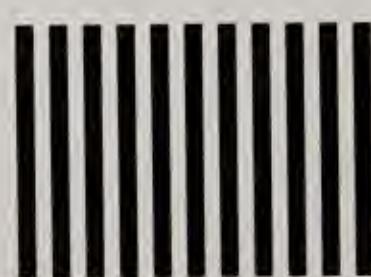
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**Dr. Mills, would you fill our readers in on just what the Lilly Initiative is and what it means to Saint Joseph's College?**

**MILLS:** I would be happy to. Really, there were two Initiatives. The first was to our Trustees. We were notified on February 21, 2002, that Lilly Endowment would match all gifts from Trustees, dollar for dollar up to \$1 million, until December 31, 2002. I am pleased to report our Trustees raised over \$936,000 in seven months. That was an incredible feat, and it placed us in the upper half of all Indiana colleges and universities. It also shows how much the men and women on the Board believe in, and are committed to, Saint Joseph's College.

#### **What about the second Initiative?**

**MILLS:** This is the Special Initiative to Strengthen Philanthropy for Indiana Higher Education Institutions. Here, Lilly Endowment will again match gifts, dollar-for-dollar, from alumni, parents, friends, employees, and students. Though each group has a cap, the overall limit on what Lilly Endowment will match is \$3.5 million. We have until December 31, 2003, to raise the money—then, poof! It's over!

#### **How about pledges or gifts in kind?**

**MILLS:** Pledges don't count, nor do gifts in kind. It has to be cash, marketable securities, cash equivalents, or real property. Pledge payments made during the matching period will count, as will testamentary gifts received. Gifts can be made for almost any purpose: support endowment, an

academic department, scholarship fund, or to remember a loved one. However, Lilly Endowment will not match gifts to athletics.

**Other than the general maxim that "money is good," why are you and the College working so hard to meet as much of the Lilly Endowment "challenge" as possible?**

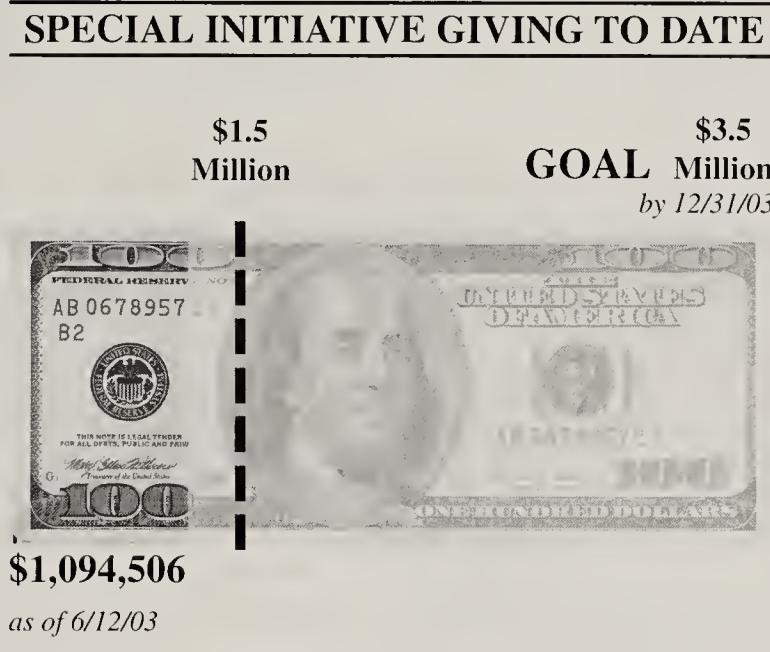
**MILLS:** You know, this Initiative is a remarkable opportunity for Saint Joseph's College. We have a chance to get ahead of the game and increase our competitiveness. Today, students have many choices on where they can go to college. We need to continue to improve our programs while

remaining affordable so that they select SJC.

#### **Specifically, how will Lilly Endowment's Initiatives help us to improve?**

**MILLS:** Saint Joseph's College is a small college with less than 1,000 students. Next year, the comprehensive fee to attend Saint Joseph's College will be about \$24,250. In four years, that's almost a \$100,000 degree! While that is the middle price range for an independent, liberal arts college like Saint Joseph's, it makes parents stop and think. We simply must slow down escalating costs while continuing to enhance the quality of our academic programs. A sure path to keep costs in line in this new century is to both increase enrollment and endowment. By increasing our enrollment, we lower the unit cost to operate the College, and this is a savings for Puma families. By increasing endowment, we have more money to award

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in scholarships and enhance academic programs. The scholarship aid lowers the cost for a middle-income family and makes SJC more affordable. Endowment income can subsidize the cost of academic programs and allows us to attract and retain good faculty members who are skilled teachers as well as accomplished scholars. We will use Lilly Endowment's match to both build enrollment and endowment. I know our Trustees saw quickly the golden chance that Lilly Endowment had given the College, and they all dug deep to meet the "challenge" as best they could.

**Isn't that pretty much what the other colleges will do—increase enrollment and endowment, thus making their colleges more affordable and better places to study?**

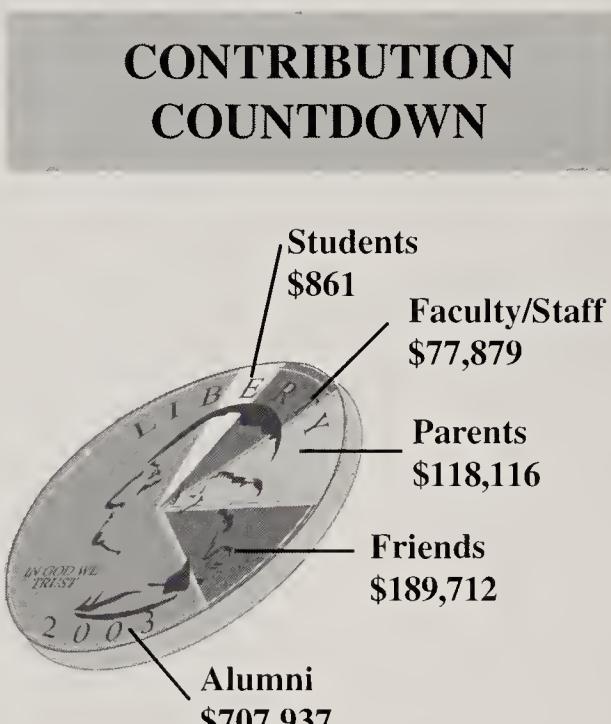
**MILLS:** You bet they will, but you know what? Our Trustee-giving in response to the Lilly Initiative was exceptional and certainly compared favorably to all the other colleges and universities in Indiana. We surprised a lot of people on how competitive the Pumas can be.

**Do you think the alumni, parents, employees, and friends of the College will follow the Trustees' example?**

**MILLS:** I certainly believe it can happen, and it needs to happen. Higher education doesn't stand still. If nothing else, higher education in America is competitive. The Pumas need to win at this, and Lilly has given us a chance. We, as individuals, choose whether Saint Joseph's College will get a gift from Lilly by whether we personally give a gift or not. It is in our

hands! I know a few are not in a position to give, but most alumni can donate something, and a few have been materially blessed and could make substantial gifts. If alumni would take this challenge personally, things will go well. Perhaps they'll remember how much Saint Joseph's helped them or the scholarship assistance SJC gave them that made it possible to even go to college.

**What makes you optimistic?**



You know that "individual attention" the College gives each student? Well, now the College needs that from its own. Saint Joseph's College is a remarkable place. It has changed the lives of thousands of people, and it has the capacity to continue to do that, but it needs help, and it is ultimately the individual decisions of thousands of alumni that will tell the story. Supporters of Saint Joseph's College, I ask you to put Saint Joseph's "up there" as your first giving priority for just this year—until December 31st. How many chances are there to see your money automatically doubled—and for such a good cause?

**Thank you, Dr. Mills.**

Fulfill Your  
Phonathon  
Pledge And Have  
It Doubled By  
The Lilly  
Initiative!



## THE MAN BEHIND THE CHECK:

*College Fund Director  
Steve Brady*

Since his arrival at SJC in 2000, College Fund Director Steve Brady has been a busy man. Responsible for the cultivation, solicitation, and participation of SJC's alumni, parents, and friends in the College Fund, his list of things to do includes writing "Thank-you-for-your-gift" letters, networking with alumni interested in raising funds for class gifts, and working with the Institutional Advancement and Marketing staff to plan the Annual Spring Phonathon. And since June of 2002, his top priority has been to help SJC raise funds for the Lilly Initiative, which will match dollar-for-dollar every gift made to SJC by alumni, parents, employees, and friends [excluding gifts to athletics].

"In light of the Lilly Initiative, it's even more important to SJC to make gift-giving as easy as possible," he explained. "Some people feel comfortable providing credit card information on the Internet. Others like a phone call and the opportunity to ask questions about the College. No matter when the spirit moves people to make a gift, SJC makes it easy for them to do so."

In these last several months, as the Lilly Initiative comes to a close, SJC is working especially hard to make sure supporters know the impact that Lilly can have. To that end, another Phonathon will be held, this time in the fall, to thank people for their support and ask for their help once more. "Every dollar is so important that we want to go through the extra time and effort to go back and encourage people to contribute to Lilly," Brady said.

For more information about the Lilly Initiative, you can contact Brady via telephone at 800-227-1898 or e-mail at [sbrady@saintjoe.edu](mailto:sbrady@saintjoe.edu).

Thanks to your support, SJC's Spring Phonathon raised over \$100,000 for the College Fund, all of which will be matched by the Lilly Initiative. For those who have not yet fulfilled their pledges, you can do so by:

- ✓ Visiting <http://www.saintjoe.edu/alumni/giving> and making a gift with your Visa or MasterCard credit card. The server is secure and only takes minutes for your gift to be processed.
- ✓ Mailing your gift to Saint Joseph's College, P.O. Box 870, Rensselaer, Indiana, 47978.

*Don't forget to encourage your family, friends, and fellow classmates to make a gift of any size to SJC. Every bit helps during the Lilly Initiative, and time is running out for your gift to be matched!*

Corey Seegers  
shoots a basket  
for SJC

## SPORTS BRIEFS

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

The men's basketball team's 11-17 finish represented a three-game improvement from the previous season, and the Pumas made just their second appearance in the GLVC Tournament in the school's history. Included among SJC's accomplishments were upset victories over conference powers Lewis and Indianapolis. The Pumas also put a scare into heavily-favored Southern Indiana at the GLVC tourney before a 91-85 loss.

Junior point guard Jamie Holden was the GLVC's leader in assists and steals, and finished fourth in the nation in assists at 8.0 per game. Holden also broke SJC's records for assists (515) and steals (209) in a career, as well as single-season assists (207), and he also tied the Pumas' single-game records for assists (14 vs. Bellarmine on January 2nd) and steals (7 at Quincy on January 18th). Junior Corey Seegers and senior Hodges Smith finished second and third in the league in scoring, respectively. For his efforts, Seegers was rewarded with a Second-Team All-GLVC selection. Smith finished his career ranked 14th on SJC's all-time scoring list. He was honored with a spot on the conference's Honorable Mention list.

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Under first-year head coach John Raff, the women's basketball team enjoyed a two-game improvement over last season, finishing 11-17 and 8-12 in the GLVC. The 11 wins matched the Pumas' win total from the past two seasons



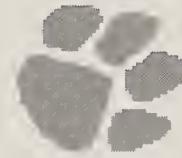
combined. Included among SJC's victories this season were an upset win over then-15th-ranked Lake Superior State on December 14th, and a win at Quincy January 18th which ended the Hawks' school-record 10-game winning streak. The season ended with a loss to Quincy in the GLVC Tournament semifinals.

The Pumas set GLVC records for free throws made (454) and attempted (610) in conference games in a season. They also set a school record for free throws made (597). Junior Heather Allen became the 13th member of the SJC 1,000-point club and currently ranks eighth on that list and is also 11th in school history in rebounds.

### MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD

Under the direction of coach **Bill Massoels '89**, the men's and women's track and field teams continued what is now a 10-year run of appearing in the national rankings in every indoor poll. The men's team ended the indoor season 17th in the nation, while the women's team finished 20th. The men's team had a 36-9 overall record indoors, while the women were 36-5. Both squads concluded their seasons at the GLVC Indoor Championships, hosted by Wisconsin-Parkside. The men's team finished fourth, while the women were third.

Senior Jason Johnson highlighted the GLVC meet for the Puma men, earning SJC's lone conference title by winning the 200-meter hurdles.



He also earned All-GLVC status by finishing second in the long jump and 55-meter hurdles. Freshman Kurt Laurinaitis was an All-GLVC selection as well, finishing second in the triple jump. The women's team had five all-conference selections, led by freshman hurdler Amanda Stoops, who won the 200-meter hurdles in meet-record time. Seniors Melissa Kleinmaus (800 meters) and Lindsay Bridwell (pole vault) and freshmen Jackie Inkrott (55-meter hurdles) and Kelly Compton (shot put) were All-GLVC as well. Johnson and senior thrower Sean McGeehan both recorded national qualifying marks during the season, in the long jump and 35-pound weight throw, respectively.

The Pumas have already had four athletes provisionally qualify for this season's outdoor national championships as well. On the men's side, sophomore Taylor Treesh has earned a qualifying mark in the discus throw and McGeehan has provisionally qualified in the discus.

The women's team has gotten qualifiers from freshman Amanda Stoops in the 400-meter

hurdles and senior Maria Toledo in the 3,000 steeplechase. Toledo has also broken her own school record in the steeplechase. Sophomore Natalie Salinas also has broken the women's school record in the hammer throw.

## BASEBALL

The baseball team, under the direction of third-year coach **Rick O'Dette '99**, enjoyed a prosperous season, ranking near the top of the Great Lakes Valley Conference in what has been an extremely competitive year for the league. SJC began its season in Florida, where it defeated the number one team in the nation, Florida Southern, on its home field. The Pumas also managed a come-from-behind win at home over a nationally ranked Indianapolis program April 2nd.

SJC has been led offensively by senior Scott Mertes, who has been near the top of the GLVC in numerous offensive categories all season long. The Pumas have also enjoyed outstanding pitching from senior Jim Cartwright, who has been converted from SJC's closer to its No. 1 starter, as well as junior Andy Augsburger and freshman Ian Matthews.

## SAINT JOSEPH'S COLLEGE 2003 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE



DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
August 30	Dayton	Dayton, OH	1:00 p.m.
<b>September 6</b>	<b>Indianapolis</b>	<b>Rensselaer, IN</b>	<b>12:00 p.m.</b>
September 13	St. Francis (IL)	Joliet, IL	6:00 p.m.
September 27	Southern Illinois	Carbondale, IL	12:00 p.m.
<b>October 4</b>	<b>Kentucky Wesleyan</b>	<b>Rensselaer, IN</b>	<b>12:00 p.m.</b>
<b>October 11</b>	<b>New Haven</b>	<b>Rensselaer, IN</b>	<b>12:00 p.m.</b>
<b>October 18</b>	<b>Lincoln (MO)</b>	<b>Rensselaer, IN</b>	<b>12:00 p.m.</b>
October 25	Tiffin	Tiffin, OH	12:00 p.m.
November 1	Austin Peay	Clarksville, TN	1:00 p.m.
November 8	Gannon	Erie, PA	1:00 p.m.
November 15	Butler	Indianapolis, IN	1:30 p.m.

\* Home games are shown in bold

\* All Times Local



## Where Is He Now?

Rev. Paul White, C.P.P.S. '54

Since his arrival to Saint Joseph's College in the early fifties, **Rev. Paul White, C.P.P.S. '54** has served SJC as a priest, professor, and administrator. Though officially retired from teaching, White is still an active member of the community, and on June 4th, he celebrated his 50th anniversary as a priest with the Missionaries of the Precious Blood.

After his ordination in 1953, White's first assignment was to SJC, where he taught courses in Economics and Religion for one year before enrolling at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., where he earned a master's degree in Economics. In the years that followed, he assumed the responsibilities of Business Manager, Parents Association Moderator, Executive Vice President, Alumni Director, and Director of Campaigns. He also continued to teach, even finding time to complete coursework at Cornell University in New York from 1960 to 1962. He left SJC one more time in 1975 when he was assigned to direct C.P.P.S. seminarians at the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago, but upon returning to campus in 1980, he's remained with SJC ever since. He'll celebrate his 50th anniversary in October.

Today, White is the Administrator for two parishes in Francesville and Medaryville. He can also be found outside of Schwietermann Hall, tending the garden he created years ago. "I've lived a happy life at Saint Joseph's. I've done everything I wanted to do," he said.

*Where Are They Now? notes the current activities of favorite faculty, staff, and friends of the College of years past; Before They Were Pumas profiles members of the SJC community, providing glimpses into their pasts and updates on what they are doing today. If you would like to recommend that someone be featured in either piece, please contact Publications and Media Relations Director Breain Ma'Ayteh '02 at 219-866-6177.*

## Before They Were Pumas



Before



Today

Name:  
Linda Deno '82

### A unique or funny story about you around the time the photo was taken:

Every Christmas, until we were old enough to say no, my grandmother would make pajamas for all the grandkids. They were her Christmas presents to us, and it was a big thing. On Christmas Eve, her gifts to us were the first ones we opened, and we had to stop and change into them so that everyone could take pictures. One year, she made clown pajamas with matching hats for the girls and cowboy outfits for the boys. So even though I hated wearing hats, I started out the night with the hat on, but by the time the picture was taken, it was barely on my head. I was only two years old.

High school, city, state:  
South Newton High School, Kentland, Indiana

College:  
Saint Joseph's College

What you're doing now:  
I'm the Associate Athletic Director and Assistant Volleyball Coach at SJC, and I've been working here since 1984. It was intriguing to me that I could come and give back to my alma mater what had been given to me. Since I was little, sports have been my life, and to be sitting here today and have come this far is mind-boggling. However, I know I still have a lot to learn.

This past April, Angela Williams '04 received the Verizon Wireless Senate Democratic Intern Scholarship for her outstanding efforts as an intern for the 113th Indiana General Assembly. The scholarship is valued at \$2,500 and may be used for college or post-graduate work for up to five academic years following completion of the internship.

"Angela was chosen because of her professional attitude, excellent writing skills, enthusiasm, and grasp of the legislative process," said Intern Director of the Senate Democratic Caucus Tricia Stratman. "These qualities made her stand out among an excellent group of colleagues."

An English and Criminal Justice double major at SJC, Williams is Vice President of SJC's Habitat For Humanity and the SJC representative for the executive board of the Jasper County chapter. She is also a member of the Criminal Justice Club, Art Club, Alpha Lambda Delta honor society, *Measure* (SJC's literary magazine), and Volunteer Corps. She works for the College's writing clinic, where she reviews student work, and is an assistant to Professor of English Dr. Charles Kerlin. For Williams,

who plans to attend law school after graduation, the internship was an important experience. "Working in the public sector really opened my eyes to getting a law degree," she said. "I went in without having experience, and I found that I knew more about politics than I thought I did."

Williams began working full time as an intern for the Democratic Caucus in January, when the Indiana General Assembly convened for the 2003 session. Her duties included preparing constituent correspondence, staffing committee meetings, and working closely with Senator Jim Lewis (D-Charlestown) and Senator Anita Bowser (D-Michigan

City) to organize and advocate new initiatives. As one of only 12 people selected for the position, Williams believes it was her strong writing skills that helped her to be chosen. "Because of my English and Core backgrounds, I was able to use my writing skills any way I needed to, whether I was writing a public relations [piece] or an in-depth letter to a state agency," she said.

Williams returns this fall to complete her degrees.



Williams with Senator Jim Lewis

## PUMA SPOTLIGHT: Angela Williams '04

### SJC FAST FACTS

- ◆ Through SJC's affiliation with The Washington Center in Washington D.C., juniors and seniors of any major can participate in semester-long programs that combine internship placement and course work.
- ◆ In a recent poll, SJC students spent nearly seven thousand volunteer hours in community service throughout one semester.
- ◆ Law school and medical school acceptance of SJC graduates often approaches 100%.

## 2003 Scholarship Dinner and Auction Raises Over \$90,000 for SJC's College Fund



This year's theme was "Leadership Through the Decades," in honor of former and life members of SJC's Board of Trustees. Pictured here are (left to right, back row): David Chesak, President Mills, **Ronald E. Keller '57, Rev. Thomas Conde, C.P.P.S. '78, John P. Nichols, (front row) Michael E. Davis, **Cdr. Richard T. Vallin '59****

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# Faculty Notes

Robert Brodman, Professor of Biology and Environmental Science, worked in conjunction with The Chicago Wilderness Conservation Coalition and Habitat Project of the Audubon-Chicago Region to hold a volunteer-training workshop at the end of February. The workshop taught participants how to identify, monitor, and record species of amphibians living within the Jasper-Pulaski Fish & Wildlife Area in Jasper County and Kankakee Sands nature preserves in Newton County.

Paul Magro, Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice and Sociology, was selected to write a book review on the third edition of James Inciardi's *Elements of Criminal Justice*.

John Nichols, Professor of Philosophy and National Endowment for the Humanities Distinguished Professor, spent three days in April evaluating the general education program at St. Edward's University in Austin, Texas.

Ilicia Sprey, Assistant Professor of History, reviewed an article for *Sixteenth Century Journal* entitled "Princes of the Church: A History of English Cardinals" by Dominic Aidan Bellenger and Stella Fletcher.



Robb Thiel, Associate Professor of Music, served as an adjudicator for the Indiana State School Music Association Jazz Band Contest at Fort Wayne Elmhurst High School from March 7-8th.

## SJC REMEMBERS Rev. Bernard Meiring, C.P.P.S. '51



August 8, 1929 - April 12, 2003

Rev. Bernard Meiring, C.P.P.S. '51, who served SJC as a Professor in the Education Department, died on Saturday, April 12, 2003.

Entering the Missionaries of the Precious Blood in 1943, Meiring was assigned to Saint Joseph's College in 1957. He held a number of positions at SJC, including Professor of Education, Chair of the Education Department, Director of Student Teachers, and Acting Vice President for Academic Affairs. He was also critical to the evolution of the Education Department, helping the College receive its first accreditation from the National Council of Accreditation for Teachers Education (a ranking it still holds today), and founding SJC's Elementary Education Program. In recognition of Meiring's contributions to the Education programs at SJC, The Meiring Alumni Teaching Excellence Award was named after him.

Born on August 8, 1929 in Sharpsburg, Ohio, Meiring earned a Philosophy degree from SJC, master's degree in Education from the University of Detroit, and doctorate in Education from the University of California at Berkeley.

# Class Notes

**Dick Semonin '48 and Eugene Walsh '48** are two "survivors" from the last graduating class of Saint Joseph's Academy and are planning a class reunion on Saturday, October 10th, the weekend after SJC's Homecoming. Those interested in attending the reunion may contact Alumni and Parent Relations Director Kendra Berenda at 800-227-1898.

**S. Kenneth Dolan '57** retired from NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center on January 3, 2003, after working there for over 39 years. He is now working part time as Director of the Space Operations Institute at Capitol College in Laurel, MD. He and his wife, Dorothy, thoroughly enjoyed their visit to Saint Joseph's College for his 45th reunion at Homecoming.

**James S. Moulthrop '60**, a senior consultant with Fugro-BRE, Inc. in Austin, Texas, has been named to the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) Board of Directors. Established in 1898, ASTM International is one of the largest standards of development and delivery systems in the world. A recognized international leader in pavement preservation and asphalt technology, Moulthrop has been an ASTM member since 1985.

**Frank L. LeMay '65** retired in June 2001 after 35 years of teaching Mathematics and chairing the Mathematics Department for the Wickliffe City Schools in Wickliffe, OH. He continues to teach Mathematics on a part-time basis at Lakeland Community College in Kirtland, OH. Frank and his wife, Diane, spend time traveling and enjoying their four children and five grandchildren.

**Norbert A. Krapf '65** had his latest poetry collection, *The Country I Come From*, nominated for a Pulitzer Prize.

**Thomas Knitter '68** began his term as President of St. Catherine's High School in Racine, WI, on May 1, 2003. A Milwaukee native

and long-time Catholic school educator and administrator, Knitter returns from Bakersfield, CA, where he served as President of Garces Memorial High School the past two years.

**Frank Povondra '72** recently joined General Electric Company as a Project Leader. His position is based in the GE corporate headquarters in Fairfield, CT.



**Eugene Walsh '48 and Dick Semonin '48**, graduates of Saint Joseph's Academy

**Larry J. Hanneman, CPA '74** received the Ohio Association of School Business Officials (OASBO) Treasurer/CFO of the Year Award in November 2002. He has been the Chief Financial Officer for EHOVE Career Center for the past 15 years, is the Northwest Regional Director for OASBO, and is on the Environmental Relations Committee of ASBO International.

**Lou Sapienza '74** recently appeared in the History Channel's "The Hunt for the Lost Squadron," and his photographs have been featured in *Life*, *National Geographic*, and *Forbes*.

**J. Jeffrey Jones '75** was recently named to the newly created position of Assistant Vice Chancellor for

Enrollment Management at Purdue University North Central.

**Mark Karcher '84** recently won an "Excellence in Directing" Award from the 2003 New Jersey Theatre League (NJTL). Mark directed John Mortimer's one-act play, *Dock Brief*. In addition the play won two acting awards and took second runner-up. This is the second award-winning production Karcher has been involved with, as he performed in the 1999 NJTL's best play, *Vivien*.

**Eric J. Boos, M.A., Ph.D., J.D., LL.M. '86**, a Professor of Law at Edgewood College in Wisconsin, has been awarded a Fulbright Scholar Grant to offer courses and conduct field research at Sokoine University in Tanzania during the 2003-2004 academic year. He will be joined by his wife, Karena, and their three children, Zebadiah, Lauren, and Meredith.

**Shiona Ward '89** relocated to Colorado, where she accepted a promotion with the U.S. Air Force. She will work for the USAF Space Command, Space and Missile Center at Peterson AFB as a Logistics Management Specialist.

**Michael E. Hodge '89** completed a six-month run playing the role of Sergeant Trotter in Agatha Christie's *The Mousetrap* at St. Martin's Theatre in London, England. Currently in its 51st year, *The Mousetrap* is the longest-running play in the world.

**Audra (Nevorski) Hershberger '89** will be featured in a catalog for Home Interiors and Gifts, Inc., and her testimonial can be seen online at [www.decoratinglives.com](http://www.decoratinglives.com). Alumni can also visit her Web site, [www.homeinteriors.com/ahershberger](http://www.homeinteriors.com/ahershberger). She has been a part-time display for Home Interiors for seven years and works as a medical technician for South Bend Medical Foundation.

**Margaret A. Smith '91** was crowned Queen of the Nile on

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March 30, 2003, in Teti Sheri Temple No. 60, Daughters of the Nile in Fort Wayne, IN. They are affiliated with the Shriners of North America.

**Julie A. (Rose) Cook '91** is a Nurse Anesthetist working in the Indianapolis, IN area.



**Gerry Ryan '48** (second from left) planned a family reunion in conjunction with SJC's St. Patrick's Day Parade in Chicago on March 15th. Family members came from such states as Florida, Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio

**Thomas Guenther '92** and his wife, Soonjaleena, are opening a Traumatic Brain Injury facility, which they will manage and co-own in Ann Arbor, MI.

The "Old Pumas" met at German Park in Indianapolis for the Indianapolis Soccer Club Over 30 Six vs. Six Soccer Tournament in July 2002. They started off slow but finished the weekend with a 3-3 record, which even included a 7:00 a.m. Sunday morning victory!

**Gordon D. Flick '92** has passed the Certified MBA (CMBA) exam from the International Certification Institute. Upon graduation, Flick will be among the first group of MBAs to earn the CMBA distinction and one of the elite group of individuals to pass the rigorous CMBA exam. He will be a charter member of the Association of Certified MBAs (ACMBA).

**Kimberly A. Gilbert '93** opened her own law practice on January 1, 2003, in Lafayette, IN.

**Danielle A. (Deckard) Payne '95** was named Director of the Boswell Public Library in Boswell, IN.

**Mark J. Pizur '95** has joined the law firm of Tabbert Hahn Ernest & Weddle, LLP. Pizur, who practices in the areas of Employment Law,

**Christina L. (McCoy) Crawford '97** received her master's degree in Marine Biology from the College of Charleston in South Carolina in December 2002.

**Glenda Wicks '97** has been accepted into the Masters in Nursing Program at Indiana University.

**Lt. Charles Barrett '97** is deployed with the 3rd Brigade Combat Team, which is part of the 4th Infantry Division in the U.S. Army. He is the Armor Platoon Leader in charge of four M1A1 Main Battle Tanks and loves every minute of it.

**Joseph H. Vorrier III '98** was selected to present his research on the Chicago blizzard of 1979 and current weather topics to the Indiana National Weather Association.

**Andrew M. Hicks '98** joined Barnes & Thornburg as an Associate in the Elkhart office's Litigation Department in November 2002.

**Philip McGrath '98** had a paper accepted by the *Wildlife Society Bulletin*, which addressed the effects of tooth extraction on the body condition and reproduction of mule deer. It will appear in the spring 2004 issue. Alumni are welcome to e-mail him at pmcgrath@dfg.ca.gov.

Civil Rights, ERISA, and Commerical and Business Litigation, is admitted to practice in Indiana, the U.S. District of Courts of Indiana, the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals, and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.



Left to Right, Back Row: **Dan Daugherty '91, Glenn Johnson '92, John Waters '91, Shawn Hurst '94, and Chris Johnson '91.**  
 Left to Right, Front Row: **Phil Van Allen '91, Kevin "Osh" O'Shaughnessy '89, Tony Kruzel '91, Ken Benich '94, and Michael "Cookie" Cooke '89**

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**Jeffrey S. Kirch, C.P.P.S. '98** was ordained a Deacon with the Missionaries of the Precious Blood (C.P.P.S.) on June 14, 2003.

**Warren Root '99** will begin taking courses in the Masters in Nursing Program at Indiana University in the fall.

**Dominick W. Pinta '99** is owner of Synapse Technology Group, a full service voice and data shop in Tinley Park, IL, which provides turnkey voice and data networks to all types of companies, both large and small. They are a certified business partner with Avaya Communications and are resellers of Dell, Cisco, Linksys, and Polycom.

**Laura B. Hawkins '00** graduated from Purdue University in May with a master's degree in Counseling. She will attend Indiana University School of Nursing on the Indiana University-Purdue University in Indianapolis (IUPUI) campus to complete a master's degree in Psychiatric Nursing with a clinical specialty this fall. While completing her degree, she will teach courses for IU's Nursing Program.

**Michelle Horst '01** became an Intake Officer for the Lake County Juvenile Center in Crown Point, IN, in January 2003.

**Elizabeth "Liza" Storey '01** will receive her master's degree in Public Affairs from Indiana University-Purdue University in Indianapolis (IUPUI).

**Amber Stuckey '02** is currently training as a Public Assistant Caseworker for the State of Indiana and works for the Porter County Department of Family and Children. After her training is completed, she will have a full caseload.

## ENGAGEMENTS

**Melissa A. Scully '91** to David Kotrba. A September 27, 2003 wedding is planned.

**Jason Yorn '95** to Stephanie Mauch. A September 2003 wedding is planned.

**Jennifer L. Kruszynski '96** to John Stallsmith. An April 2004 wedding is planned.

**Eric B. Nisbeth '98** to Courtney Kelly. An April 2004 wedding is planned.

**Lori McKinney '00** to Jeremy Jensen. An August 9, 2003 wedding is planned, and **Shay McGuire '01** will be a bridesmaid.

**Cindy Hutchison '01** to Samuel Helmbrechtof. A spring 2004 wedding is planned.



**Joseph '92 and Diane (Hebert) Arias '94**  
with their first daughter, Emilie

## MARRIAGES

**Ellen Hadala '89** to Patrick McGrady, 9/22/01.

**Leanne Hayes '92** to Tomer Bashan, 12/26/02.

**Dawn Fitzgerald '94** to David Parker, 4/5/03. They were married at the Biltmore Estate in Asheville, NC. **Maureen "Mo" (Goeddeke) Dilly '93** and **T. Andrew Crouch '95** were in attendance.

**Kimberly Patch '94** to Robert Barry, 5/24/03.

**Kerry M. Foley '95** to Cynthia Ellen Bowman, 5/5/01.

**Dominick Pinta '99** to Sarah Little '01, 5/26/02.

**Michael Mancuso '00** to **Katie Mack '02**, 1/4/03. **Jason Hallenbeck '00** was the best man. **Katie Conlon '02**, **Beth Hollenbeck '02**, **Julie Ryan '03**, **Greg Taylor '00**, and **Rory Johnson '00** stood up in the wedding.

**Nancy Giovingo '01** to **Justin Evans '01**, 11/23/02. **Julie Ryan '03** was maid of honor, **Adam Smith '01** was best man, **Brian Boyle '01** and **Dan Koleszar '99** were ushers, and **Cory Walters '00** was a groomsman.

**Karyn Greig '02** to Michael DiNovo, 9/27/02.

**Scott P. Morgan '02** to Meghan Monahan, 6/21/03.

## BIRTHS

Marcus Hayes Guzman to **Marc '74** and **Merry Beth Guzman**, 4/6/01.

Anna Marie Roetker to David and **Michelle (VanWynsberghe) Roetker '87**, 3/24/02.

Thomas Robert Gray to **Edward '88** and **Amy Gray**, 3/3/03. He joins his big brother, Peter (5).

Jackson Ryan Hahn to **R. Andrew '90** and **Kandi Hahn**, 9/29/02.

Abigail Lynn Grange to Allen and **Krista J. (McLeish) Grange '91**, 1/16/03.

Anicka Marie Anderson to Dave and **Nickolette (Dombrowski) Anderson '91**, 2/19/03. She joins her big brother, Nickolas (2).

Mary Katherine Carey to **Mike '91** and **Lori (Jessup) Carey '91**, 3/15/03. She joins her big brother, Cullan (6).

Tristan Alexander and Ethan Emanuel Davis to Antonio and **Annette J. (Carter) Davis '92**, 2/10/03.

Emilie Renee Arias to **Joseph '92** and **Diane (Hebert) Arias '94**, 11/20/02.

Kyle Joseph Benich to **Ken '94** and **Danielle (Thorndyke) Benich '93**, 3/26/03. He joins his big sister, Delaney (4).

Ian Francis Fergus to **Sean '94** and Jenny Fergus, 1/3/03.

James Emmett Finn to Matthew and **Bridget (O'Brien) Finn '94**, 2/17/03.

Micah Patrick Hauser to **Joshua '94** and **Amanda (McIlwain) Hauser '98**, 1/8/03.

Gavin Scott LaPointe to Scott and **Sondra (Green) LaPointe '95**, 3/10/03.

Taylor Marie Lashbrooke to David and **Lisa (Heck) Lashbrooke '95**, 12/29/02.

Sydney Jean Payne to Todd and **Danielle (Deckard) Payne '95**, 3/19/01.

Chloe Isabella McCarty to **Ryan '96** and **Tracy (Marks) McCarty '94**, 11/14/02. She joins her big sister, Regan (4).

Brie Lyn Beier to Deric and **Mindy (Laffoon) Beier '96**, 2/10/03.

Zachary Aaron Metz to **Aaron '96** and **Allison (McDonough) Metz '96**, 3/7/03.

Gillian Norine Cate to Timothy and **Katie (Robinson) Cate '98**, 2/11/03.

Emme Alexandria Egan to **Kevin '99** and Michelle Egan, 2/28/03.

## DEATHS

**Rev. Harold V. Diller, C.P.P.S. '28**, 2/13/03.

**Wendelin J. Billinger '29**, 11/19/02.

**Rev. Russell F. Gillig '30**, SJC Academy, 4/28/03.

**Frederick F. Follmar '31**, 4/25/02.

**Edmund VanOss '34**, 10/27/02.

**Harold Eder '38**, 4/11/01.

**Henry Tippman '39**, date unknown.

**Paul S. Monastyrski '40**, 12/30/02.

**Andrew J. Stodola, Jr. '40**, date unknown.

**James S. Fitzmaurice '40**, 9/20/02.

**Robert E. Laney '49**, date unknown.

**Thomas E. Lynch '50**, date unknown.

**Richard B. Smolar '51**, date unknown.

**Rev. Bernard Meiring, C.P.P.S. '51**, 4/12/03.

**Donald D. Schubert '52**, 3/3/03.

**Raymond J. Banary, Sr. '57**, 1/27/03.

**Ronald L. Jensen '58**, date unknown.

**Frank J. Blenke '58**, 10/5/02.

**James W. Marquardt '63**, 2/14/03.

**Terry J. Huseman '66**, date unknown.

**Martha Pierce '73**, 3/4/03.

**Dr. Eugene P. Segro '73**, 4/24/03.

**Alicia A. Green-Dunlap '74**, 6/24/02.

**Sister Martha A. Bupka, O.S.F. '79**, date unknown.

**Joseph A. Methner '93**, 4/10/03.

**Melissa K. York '96**, 2/15/03.

Brian Speicher, brother of SJC Junior Jerry Speicher, 2/11/03.

Edward McCaskey, Father Gross Fellow, 4/8/03.

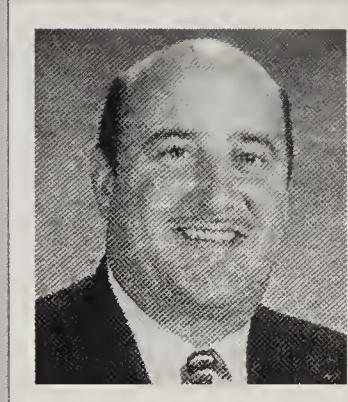
Mary "Pearl" Cline, Fellow, 4/14/03.

On page 8 in the spring issue of *Contact*, Jessica Harris's name was incorrectly listed as Nicole Harris. The *Contact* staff apologizes for the error.

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**REMEMBERS**

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**Eugene Segro '73**



**Eugene Segro '73**, Principal at Red Lion Area Junior High School, passed away on April 24, 2003, after a fatal gunshot wound from a 14-year-old student. A History major while at SJC and native of Lancaster, PA, he earned his master's degree from Millersville University and doctorate from Temple University, both located in Pennsylvania, and was with Red Lion for more than ten years. After Segro's passing, students dipped their hands in paint and created a memorial entitled "The Hands Touched by Dr. Segro" on the cafeteria walls. "Gene was one of the nicest people you'd ever want to meet," said John Carroll '73, who attended both Lancaster Catholic High School and SJC with Segro. "Throughout his life, he was low key, always helping others. He was a listener. That's what made him such a great teacher. He was always there for his students."

He is survived by his wife, Lynne, and daughter, Kristin.

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## Upcoming Events

**July 11**

Athletic Department Golf Outing at  
Bon Vivant Club in Bourbonnais, IL

**July 12**

Memorial Mass and Dinner  
Rev. James Froelich, C.P.P.S. '51

**July 18**

Ravina Festival, Chicago, IL  
Chicago Symphony Orchestra

**July 29**

Alumni/Admissions Reception at  
The Patio in Merrillville, IN

**August 14**

Day Trip to Oliver Winery  
in Bloomington, IN

**August 16**

Founder's Fund Banquet

**August 25**

Fall Semester Classes Begin

**September 5-7**

White Water Rafting Trip  
in Hico, West Virginia

**September 12-20**

Trip to Ireland

**September 21**

"Discover Day" For  
Prospective Students

**October 3-5**

Homecoming '003/Parents' Weekend

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